



Jackson Downtown Kiwanian

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MARCH 2016

“We Are Family”

Friday Luncheons have been fun and informative. The more members and guests the merrier.

We have two new members joining. Stay tuned for the Friday induction dates.

Big Shout outs to the Racing for Dollars volunteers and Chili golf volunteers. A big shout out to George and Kathie Veach for the Travel Adventure series. Remember the last 2 travel adventure programs for this season are March 3rd and March 31st.

Best wishes to our own Michigan Governor hopeful Dick Hitch. Read the announcement article in the District magazine.

I am so proud of our club. It’s fun to talk about all the activities, good works and memories. Share our Kiwanis fellowship at our next Inter-club at Addison on Tuesday, March 15th at 5:30pm. We will be leaving from Cascades Manor House parking lot at 4:45pm.

Sense of humor:

A doctor suggested his patient start exercising. The man told the doctor I do exercise. Every day I jump to conclusions, climb the walls, drag my heels push my luck, bend over backward, run around in circles, beat around the bush and put my foot in my mouth.

Best regards, Don



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Lt. Governor District 11

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Club Meetings

Friday Meetings at noon
Cascades Manor House
1970 Kibby Rd

Board Meetings

1st and 3rd Wednesday
noon at the Hunt Club

Newsletter Editor

Beth Philo

FEBRUARY BOARD REPORT

- **Correction to February report by this editor: Approved unanimous support to Dick Hitch for his bid as Governor Elect of Michigan Kiwanis for 2016/2017.**
- Treasurer, Chandra reported our club now has a “chip reader” for credit cards.
- The International Convention is being held in Toronto June 22-25 and attending will be Don & Cathy Schroeder, Jim & Beth Philo, Dick and Mary Hitch, and Rick and Mary Mills.
- The Michigan District Convention will be held in Lansing August 25 -27 and Dick Hitch will be nominated and voted on for the position of **Governor Elect** of the Michigan District. We need all the support we can get at the convention.
- The Michigan Theatre will host the Spring Break movies. We have not committed yet to the summer movies.
- Kathie Veach was unanimously voted into membership as was Chad Noble (Allegiance Health). They will have an orientation luncheon and then be inducted at a future Friday meeting
- The Club will be sponsoring Little League teams (One for boys & one for girls).
- The Youth Services Committee (Linda Brzezinski, chair) is donating \$300 to an “early start” program at Frost
- Sandy Eisele will head up the Kids Against Hunger food packaging in May (last year over 10,000 meals were distributed)
- The Aktion Club has 26 members and Cheri Johnson is looking for speakers for their monthly programs – any ideas appreciated
- An Inter-Club with Addison is planned for March 15th at 5:30 pm. All members welcome to attend.
- Prayer Breakfast has been scheduled for 7:30am on May 5th at the Cascade Manor House. Bring a guest.
- Interfaith Shelter luncheon will be prepared and served by our club (and the Key Club) on May 17th. Help is always needed.

March Programs

March 4th – Travel Adventure Filmmaker, Marlin Darrah

March 11th –Beware of Fraud and Scams, Mike McDevitt

March 18th –State of the City Address, Mayor Bill Jors

March 25th – **Good Friday, NO MEETING**

The new rosters are out and available at the Friday meetings. If anyone cannot make the Friday meeting, please have them contact me (phone 787-1704 or email jwolfe@theprotectioncenter.com)

WOMEN'S EXPO

Saturday, March 12, 2016 10am – 5pm Middle School at Parkside

This FREE community event is hosted by American 1 Credit Union and it is a great way to promote the Kiwanis Club of Jackson, our flag project, scholarship opportunity and membership. The event has over 185 booths filled with vendors from all over the state and draws thousands of men, women and children. Shop for yourself, your sweetie for Valentine's Day or simply come to browse and hang out with friends! We are sure you will have fun!

10th Annual Racing for Dollars

What a great event! Over 275 participants gathered at Gene Davis Convention Center for a great roast beef dinner and the Daytona 500 car race on large screen TVs. While they ate and watched the race we emptied their pockets with 50/50 raffles, the Polly's food raffle, Silent and Live auctions. We even provided an ATM outside for their convenience! **All of our efforts paid off as we once again raised over \$50,000.00!** Be sure to attend the Friday meeting this spring when we will present checks to the 5 organizations that work together to make this event such a success.



BAKER TEA Yea Dads!

April 30, 2016, at Baker College, at 11am.

The Baker Tea is an annual charitable event held at Baker College. This year the theme is "**Celebrating Fathers.**" There is a competition for the decorating, and a tea luncheon is served. Several vendors are on site selling their goods and 50/50 raffle opportunities also take place.

The charity selected to receive the proceeds of the Tea this year is the **Jackson Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect.** Because the Kiwanis mission is focused on children, this community event is a good fit. Each year, the Baker Tea has raised \$10,000 to \$12,000 dollars. Lunch is served and a short program follows. We will have 6 attendees representing Kiwanis to help raise funds for this worthy cause.



Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, May 5, 2016, at the Cascade Manor House, 7:30am-8:30am

Invite your pastor to be your guest and join us for this annual opportunity to share our diverse faith practices.

Kiwanis Travel & Adventure Film Series News

Season tickets will be for sale in March. Pre-season (March 3rd & 31st) the cost is \$28.

“MEDITERRANEAN Dream”

Thursday, March 3, 2016



Gibraltar

Produced and Narrated by Marlin Darrah

Join Marlin Darrah, perhaps “the world’s most traveled filmmaker,” on a dazzling voyage throughout the great Mediterranean Sea. This beloved sea is bordered by some 20 countries and for more than 2000 years, it has held a spell over artists, writers, history-lovers, food and wine aficionados and all those seeking “the good life” of the great “Middle Sea” of the world. This travel film explores the diverse natural geography as well as some of the unique towns and major cities peppered around the Mediterranean. This epicurean journey moves east to west, beginning in exotic Alexandria, Egypt and sailing to such alluring locations as Istanbul, Turkey; then to the romantic Greek Isles, Venice, the French Riviera, Barcelona, and finally we explore fascinating Gibraltar.

544 Wildwood Ave, Jackson, MI

When – Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Where we are going this season...

3/3/2016 **Marlin Darrah** Mediterrean Dream

3/31/16 **Monty Brown** Forever France

March Sponsor:
Arbor Manor
Rehabilitation &
Nursing Center

KIWANIS MARCH 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <u>Board meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club Happy Birthday Eileen Lehnert	3 Travel Film: 7 p.m. Mediterranean Dream Happy Birthday Mike Zuchowski	4 <u>Program:</u> Marlin Darrah, Film Series Speaker Happy Birthday Nate Gibbs	5
6	7	8 Key Club 2:35 p.m. Aktion Club 3:00 Church of Nazarene	9	10	11 <u>Program:</u> Beware of Fraud & Scams	12 Jackson Womens Expo
13	14 Happy Birthday Cal Schuch	15 Addison Interclub 5:30pm	16 <u>Board meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club Happy Birthday Chandra Howard	17	18 <u>Program:</u> State of the City Jackson Mayor	19
20	21	22 Aktion Club 3 p.m. Happy Birthday Priscilla Smith	23 Happy Birthday Kathie Veach	24 Newsletter Deadline	25 <u>Program:</u> Good Friday – No meeting Happy Birthday Adam Howard	26 Happy Birthday Russ Youngdahl
27 EASTER 	28	29 Key Club 2:35 p.m. Happy Birthday Herb Elfring	30 Happy Birthday Les Williams	31 Travel Film: 7 p.m. Forever France	1 	

Birthdays acknowledged are taken from online member information. If yours is wrong – go to our web page/member login to correct the date, then inform Beth. Remember our club foundation in your will or estate planning. Save the Date - Prayer Breakfast – Thursday, May 5th 7:30am